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IMAGE INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM

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REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application(CPA)), of Application Serial No. 08/468,437, filed on June 6, 1995, by Takeo HODA, Dai SHINTANI, Yoshihiro TANAKA, Hiroshi ISHIBE, Hirokazu NARUTO, Hirokazu YAMADA, Nobuyuki TANIGUCHI, and Katsuyuki NANBA, entitled IMAGE INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM, which is a divisional of Application Serial No. 08/294,883, filed on August 23, 1994, which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/141,898, filed on October 22, 1993, which is a

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continuation of Application Serial No. 07/517,206, filed on May 1, 1990.

1. The above-identified prior Application Serial No.

- 1. The above-identified prior Application Serial No. 08/468,437, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.
- 2. Please use the file jacket and contents of the prior Application Serial No. 08/468,437, including the specification, drawings and declaration of the prior Application Serial No. 08/468,437, to constitute the new application.
- 3. Claims 20-22, 31-34, 37, and 40-46 are present in this application. Claims 20, 31, 40, and 43 are independent claims, and claims 21-22, 32-34, 41-42, and 44-46 are dependent claims.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims currently existing in the prior application Serial No. 08/468,437.

			Fee for small entity			Fee for other than small entity	
Fee	No. filed	No. extra	Rate	Fee	OR	Rate	Fee
Basic fee				\$355	OR		\$710
Total claims	15-20=	0	X \$9=	\$0	OR	X \$18=	\$-0-
Independent claims	4-3=	1	X \$40=	\$0	OR	X \$80=	\$80
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented	0	0	+\$135=	\$0	OR	+\$270=	\$-0-
	•		Total	\$0	OR	Total	\$790

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- 4. Please charge the \$790 fee to Sidley & Austin's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please charge any additional fees (other than issue fee) required during the pendency of this application to Sidley & Austin's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1260. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.
- 5. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, extending the response period to October 25, 2000, is being filed concurrently herewith. The Petition includes authorization for charging the Petition fee against the Deposit Account No. 18-1260.
- 6. The prior Application Serial No. 08/468,437 filed on June 6, 1995, which is a divisional of Application Serial No. 08/294,883, filed on August 23, 1994, which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/141,898, filed on October 22, 1993, which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 07/517,206, filed on May 1, 1990 are assigned of record by virtue of an Assignment by Takeo HODA, Dai SHINTANI, Yoshihiro TANAKA, Hiroshi ISHIBE, Hirokazu NARUTO, Hirokazu YAMADA, Nobuyuki TANIGUCHI, and Katsuyuki NANBA to Minolta Co., Ltd. (formerly known as Minolta Camera Kabushiki Kaisha), as recorded on Reel 5357, Frame 0416.
- 7. The Power of Attorney in the continuation of Application Serial No. 08/468,437 was filed by Takeo HODA, Dai SHINTANI, Yoshihiro TANAKA, Hiroshi ISHIBE, Hirokazu NARUTO, Hirokazu YAMADA, Nobuyuki TANIGUCHI, and Katsuyuki NANBA and was to certain attorneys of Willian Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione; however, a Revocation of Prior Powers of Attorney and a new Power of Attorney with Certification Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) in the prior Application Serial No. 08/468,437 was filed by the assignee on December 2, 1996, and the new Power is to certain attorneys of SIDLEY & AUSTIN, Dallas, Texas. A Change of Correspondence Address

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in the prior Application Serial No. 08/468,437 was also filed on May 1, 1998. Please submit all correspondence to the following Dallas address.

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It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to the application in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

Respectfully submitted,

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